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Hon. John K. Trotter (Ret.), Trustee
PG&E Fire Victim Trust
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San Francisco, CA 94111

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Judge Trotter:

I am writing to you to express how dismayed and disheartened I am by the performance of the Fire Victim's Trust (by the way, we call ourselves Fire Survivors). I am hoping that your wisdom and experience can move this process along which, for some of the survivors, has been going on since 2015.

There have been reports in the news of how lawyers' expenses and other claimants: Insurance Companies, subrogation claims, bond and stock holders have all been paid in cash, while those who were directly impacted by the Fires and subsequent PG&E Bankruptcy are still waiting for...well, anything, frankly. Survivors are not being considered as first to be paid from the FVT, but last. The Trust posed a date for preliminary payments by November 23 and missed their own deadline, and while the Trust says preliminary payments have been made, there's no evidence to support that. And by moving the date to submit claims from December 31, 2020 to February 26, 2021, the Fire Survivors are being forced to wait again, without any assurance that the deadline date won't be moved again.

A Letter from **The Camp Fire Trial Lawyers** to Cathy Yanni, Claims Administrator, PG&E Fire Victims Trust, dated December 5th, 2020 remains unanswered. The letter asked for periodic disclosure of administrative costs incurred by the Trust. And as these funds belong to Fire Survivors we have a right to know. From the letter, *"Experience in other cases teaches that administrative costs that are not tightly controlled can consume an excessive amount of a corpus intended for the beneficiaries of a trust."* We would like to see a forensic accounting that highlights the funds dispersal schedule, including net value and to whom the payouts have gone to (except naming specific fire victim claimants ((protect identity))).

Several of us are represented by lawyers who are on the Trust Oversight Committee (actually more than several). One of the members of the TOC writes, *"We had expected (and been assured) that the FVT would be further along in their budgeting process and that we would know certain methodologies but, as you know, that is still not the case. Please keep in mind that the methodologies that I am speaking of are things that the FVT can and should do without any input from claimants and their lawyers"*

Another survivor, like myself, has written, *"I honestly feel like my attorneys don't know the answers. They explain to us that they are waiting on the trust to establish categories and criteria so they can represent us in the best way possible and submit a package that will give us fair compensation. I appreciate that fact although, I would have assumed this process would have been done by now. We have heard that the trust is wanting the attorneys to submit packages so they can see the extent of the losses to budget the categories. So essentially you are waiting on each other and not much seems to be getting done."*

When we learned that the Trust would be administered under the direction of the Trustee, the Honorable John K. Trotter (Ret.) we were optimistic, especially as you had formulated a resolution program for the 2007 San Diego fire cases and supervised the resolution of all the victims' claims. We survivors were looking forward to a quick resolution to the trust based on your experience.

Please don't let administration of The Fire Victims Trust be a black mark on an otherwise stellar professional history. Those who have been waiting for six years and those who have been living in trailers or FEMA provided housing would like to be celebrating your performance by bringing a quick resolution to the claims, rather than wondering why nothing is getting done on the nearly 80,000 claims sitting with the Trust Administrator.

Thank you for your help and please let me know in 3 to 5 days what we can expect.

Sincerely,



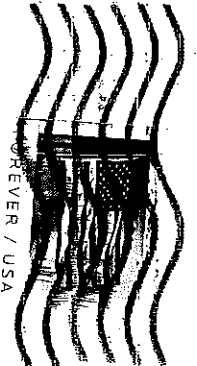
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